Executive Order 2005-22

Establishing the Governor's Executive Oversight Committee of the Arizona Counter-Terrorism Information Center and Reporting Channels

WHEREAS, one of the most serious challenges affecting homeland security is the timely exchange of intelligence and critical information among state, local and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, accurate and timely intelligence is the key to government's ability to protect its citizens and critical infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Office, in partnership with the Arizona Department of Public Safety, has established the Arizona Counter-Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC) to provide a real time informational link between local, tribal, state and federal law enforcement and first response agencies; and

WHEREAS, oversight is necessary to ensure that the ACTIC is operating efficiently and meeting its statewide responsibilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby order and direct as follows:

- 1. The Governor's Executive Oversight Committee of the Arizona Counter-Terrorism Information Center (the "Oversight Committee") is created to provide oversight of the ACTIC.
- 2. The *Oversight Committee* shall be chaired by the Governor of the State of Arizona, and in his/her absence, by the Director of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, each of whom shall have the power to convene the *Oversight Committee*.
- 3. The *Oversight Committee* shall be comprised of the following twelve (12) members, each of whom shall be appointed by, and serve without compensation at the pleasure of, the Governor:
 - Director, Governor's Office of Homeland Security;
 - Director, Department of Public Safety;
 - Director, Department of Health Services;
 - Director, Government Information Technology Agency;
 - Director, Department of Environmental Quality;
 - Director, Department of Transportation;
 - Director, Department of Emergency and Military Affairs;
 - Director, Department of Agriculture;
 - One Sheriff;
 - One Police Chief;
 - One Fire Service Chief;
 - An Arizona representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigations;

- The United States Attorney for the District of Arizona; and
- An Arizona representative of the United States Border Patrol.
- 4. Members of the *Oversight Committee* shall attend meetings and vote in person. Designees may attend meetings but may not vote.
- 5. The *Oversight Committee* shall oversee the operations of the ACTIC, assuring that the ACTIC is operating efficiently and achieving its responsibilities, which include:
 - Providing tactical and strategic intelligence collection, analysis and dissemination support to local, county, tribal, state and federal law enforcement agencies;
 - Maintaining and disseminating an ongoing threat analysis for the State of Arizona and its critical infrastructure;
 - Providing informational support to the Governor and other critical governmental leaders;
 - Maintaining a secure web site to disseminate intelligence and critical information accessible to all law enforcement and first responder agencies;
 - Maintaining the Anti-Terrorism Information Exchange (ATIX) secure web site portal for the dissemination and exchange of information to law enforcement and public and private stakeholder agencies that support homeland security efforts;
 - Functioning as the state's central point of contact and information dissemination for homeland security threat level Conditions and other information generated by the FBI, U.S. Attorney's Office and other state, local, tribal and federal agencies;
 - Maintaining a formalized liaison program with private sector stakeholders responsible for critical infrastructures and terrorist incident response within Arizona;
 - Maintaining a formalized liaison with other governmental agencies to support Arizona's counter-terrorism efforts:
 - Providing necessary training on intelligence and the role of the individual field officers and citizens in preventing terrorist attacks;
 - Maintaining necessary databases to support ongoing investigations;
 - Incorporating existing database linkages to other law enforcement, government and private agencies into the overall counter-terrorist effort;

- Maintaining an intelligence liaison program that provides direct investigative and analytical support to other agencies;
- Maintaining a 24/7 contact phone number where individuals can report suspicious activity and agencies can request assistance;
- Maintaining 24/7 research capability to support ongoing requests from state, tribal, local and federal law enforcement agencies;
- Maintaining a central point of contact for coordinating the response to suspected chemical or biological incidents; and
- Maintaining a central point of contact for the deployment of DPS and other state agency assets to support local agencies.
- 6. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1711(E), the Governor or the Director of the Office of Homeland Security may direct the ACTIC to report to the Governor and the Director of the Office of Homeland Security as necessary to provide for the security of Arizona.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

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Signed at the Capitol in Phoenix this 26 day of August Two Thousand Five and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirtieth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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